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or the first time in the history of California public schools, the content of the visual and performing arts curriculum for each grade level has been officially adopted by the California State Board of Education (see the *Visual and Performing Arts Content Standards for California Public Schools*).¹ These content standards provide guidance to schools as they determine the curricula and desired outcomes for students, ensuring sequential building and expanding of knowledge and skills as the students advance through the grades. Together, teachers and curriculum developers decide on what will best support attainment of the content standards, what the desired outcomes will be, and how students can demonstrate what they know and can do.

Standards-based instruction in dance, music, theatre, and the visual arts is designed to ensure that students reach the proficient level of achievement in each of the five strands of the content standards: artistic perception; creative expression; historical and cultural context; aesthetic valuing; and connections, relationships, and applications. The content standards establish the basis for curriculum development and professional development for those involved in visual and performing arts programs. Classroom teachers, arts teacher specialists, teaching artists, visiting artists, parents, and community members may be involved in teaching the arts in the schools. Therefore, it is extremely important to have agreed-upon written expectations for student learning at each grade level.

Format of the Content Standards

The content standards are presented in this framework in charts designed for use by administrators, teachers, curriculum planners, and parents. At a glance one can see the standards for each of the arts disciplines at a given grade level according to strand and learn what needs to be accomplished at each level.

For grades nine through twelve, the proficient and advanced levels are shown side by side for each strand in each arts discipline. The term *proficient*

¹ Visual and Performing Arts Content Standards for California Public Schools, Prekindergarten Through Grade Twelve. Sacramento: California Department of Education, 2001.

refers to what students should know and be able to do on completion of a oneyear course in one of the arts disciplines. The expectation is based on the accomplishment of students who participated in an arts education program from kindergarten through grade eight.

Many students elect to take additional high school arts courses to achieve the advanced level of achievement. The term *advanced* means that students have completed more than one course in a given arts discipline. That level can be attained at the end of a second year of high school study in an arts discipline after the proficient or beginning-level course has been completed. What is taught at the proficient level and how the advanced-level content builds on that knowledge and skill become evident on the charts.

When reading the standards at a particular grade level, one must know which standards were accomplished in all the previous grade levels to understand how expectations are based on prior learning. In addition, an examination of the standards for any of the art forms at a given grade level reveals overlaps and points of connection across the strands because the strands and the visual and performing arts content standards are intrinsically related.

Key Content Standards

Each arts discipline and artistic process has many entry points throughout the grades. Because particular ideas, concepts, and experiences are critical to student achievement at certain times in their artistic and cognitive development, the standards provide students with a picture of what is essential to

know and be able to do, kindergarten through grade eight, in each of the four arts disciplines. The key content standards provide a beginning point for standards-based instruction in each of the elementary school and middle school grades, focusing on fundamental content that students with any level of prior knowledge need to move to the next level of understanding and expression. Like the complete standards, the key standards build up content in each successive grade level and spiral throughout the curriculum for kindergarten through grade eight. They are essential in preparing students for beginning-level high school arts courses in which they engage in more focused and independent work.

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Kindergarten

Kindergarten students dance, sing, act, and paint, exploring their world through their senses and improving their perceptual skills, so important to learning and performing in the arts. They can act like cats; move to music, rhythm, and sounds; and turn everyday movements such as walking and jumping into dance. Listening to music, they repeat the tempo with rhythm sticks

and pretend and act out the stories they hear and the pictures they see by performing group pantomimes and improvisations. They like to talk about what they see in pictures and use glue and scissors with enthusiasm while learning about line, color, shape, texture, value, and space in the world around them and in works of art. While learning vocabulary in each of the arts disciplines, they see, listen, and respond to dance, music, theatre, and the visual arts from various cultures and time periods. For kindergarten students the arts are among their first exciting adventures in learning. They are beginning to develop the vocabulary and skills unique to the arts.



Dance

Students learn many ways to move through space and respond to their teacher's instructions to hop, turn, wiggle, or be still. They use this ability to control their movements, express ideas, and respond to different types of music. By learning folk and traditional dances, they can talk about how the dances are the same or different by using such terms as *costume*, *speed*, and *force*. They also learn to distinguish between everyday movements and dance movements.

Music



In music students sing and play instruments, become aware of music in their daily experience, and learn about music from various cultures. Creating movements in response to music helps them connect to dance and discern variations in rhythm, tempo, and dynamics.

Theatre

In theatre students learn the difference between an actor portraying an imaginary character and a real person. Like actors, they begin to use their senses to observe the world and people and

re-create in their minds a feeling or situation to help with character development. They learn that sense memory, which involves sight, smell, touch, taste, or hearing, is an important skill for actors to develop. With their newly acquired skills, they can retell a familiar story, myth, or fable and enjoy adding costumes and props to their performance. By portraying firefighters, teachers, and clerks, they learn acting skills. And by developing important skills through working together in dramatizations, they begin to understand what it means to be a member of the audience.

Visual arts

In the visual arts students may walk together and observe the repeated patterns made by the leaves on a tree or the bricks on the side of a building. They also may identify lines, colors, shapes and forms, and textures and observe changes in the shadows and in sunlight. And they may begin to talk about perspective, noticing how objects appear to be larger when close and smaller when far away. Students use this visual information to create works of art on paper and in three-dimensional constructions, using geometric shapes and lines that express feelings. Then they advance into analysis as they discover meaning and stories in works of art and see how other artists use the same lines, colors, shapes, and textures as the students did in their own work. Now they have a vocabulary to use as they tell why they like a work of art they made and learn about a variety of artwork in the world around them.

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Kindergarten

	Key Content Standards Kindergarten			
Dance	Music	Theatre	Visual Arts	
1.2 (Artistic Perception) Perform basic locomotor skills (e.g., walk, run, gallop, jump, hop, and balance). 1.3 (Artistic Perception) Understand and respond to a wide range of opposites (e.g., high/low, forward/backward, wiggle/freeze). 2.1 (Creative Expression) Create movements that reflect a variety of personal experiences (e.g., recall feeling happy, sad, angry, excited). 4.1 (Aesthetic Valuing) Explain basic features that distinguish one kind of dance from another (e.g., speed, force/energy use, costume, setting, music).	1.2 (Artistic Perception) Identify and describe basic elements in music (e.g., high/low, fast/slow, loud/soft, beat). 2.2 (Creative Expression) Sing age-appropriate songs from memory. 2.3 (Creative Expression) Play instruments and move or verbalize to demonstrate awareness of beat, tempo, dynamics, and melodic direction.	1.1 (Artistic Perception) Use the vocabulary of theatre, such as actor, character, cooperation, setting, the five senses, and audience to describe theatrical experiences. 2.2 (Creative Expression) Perform group pantomimes and improvisations to retell familiar stories. 3.1 (Historical and Cultural Context) Retell or dramatize stories, myths, fables, and fairy tales from various cultures and times.	1.3 (Artistic Perception) Identify the elements of art (line, color, shape/form, texture, value, space) in the environment and in works of art, emphasizing line, color, and shape/form. 4.2 (Aesthetic Valuing) Describe what is seen (including both literal and expressive content) in selected works of art.	

Component Strand: 1.0 Artistic Perception

Dance

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Dance

Music

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Music

Theatre

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Theatre

Visual Arts

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to the Visual Arts

Students perceive and respond, using the elements of dance. They demonstrate movement skills, process sensory information, and describe movement, using the vocabulary of dance.

Development of Motor Skills and Technical Expertise

- 1.1 Build the range and capacity to move in a variety of ways.
- 1.2 Perform basiclocomotor skills(e.g., walk, run, gallop, jump, hop,

and balance).

Comprehension and Analysis of Dance Elements

- 1.3 Understand and
- respond to a wide range of opposites (e.g., high/low, forward/backward, wiggle/freeze).

Development of Dance Vocabulary

1.4 Perform simple movements in response to oral instructions (e.g., walk, turn, reach).

Students read, notate, listen to, analyze, and describe music and other aural information, using the terminology of music.

Read and Notate Music

1.1 Use icons or invented symbols to represent beat.

Listen to, Analyze, and Describe Music

1.2 Identify and describe basic elements in music (e.g., high/low, fast/slow, loud/soft, beat). Students observe their environment and respond, using the elements of theatre. They also observe formal and informal works of theatre, film/video, and electronic media and respond, using the vocabulary of theatre.

Development of the Vocabulary of Theatre

- 1.1 Use the vocabulary of theatre, such as actor,
- character, such as actor character, cooperation, setting, the five senses, and audience, to describe theatrical experiences.

Comprehension and Analysis of the Elements of Theatre

 Identify differences between real people and imaginary characters. Students perceive and respond to works of art, objects in nature, events, and the environment. They also use the vocabulary of the visual arts to express their observations.

Develop Perceptual Skills and Visual Arts Vocabulary

- 1.1 Recognize and describe simple patterns found in the environment and works of art.
- 1.2 Name art materials (e.g., clay, paint, and crayons) introduced in lessons.

Analyze Art Elements and Principles of Design

1.3 Identify the elements of art (line, color, shape/form, texture, value, space) in the environment and in works of art, emphasizing line, color, and shape/form.

Component Strand: 2.0 Creative Expression

Dance Music Theatre Visual Arts Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, and and Participating in Dance and Participating in Music and Participating in Theatre Participating in the Visual Arts Students apply vocal and Students apply processes and Students apply artistic Students apply choreographic principles, processes, and instrumental musical skills in skills in acting, directing, processes and skills, using a skills to create and communidesigning, and scriptwriting variety of media to communiperforming a varied reperto create formal and informal cate meaning through the toire of music. They compose cate meaning and intent in improvisation, composition, and arrange music and improtheatre, film/videos, and original works of art. and performance of dance. vise melodies, variations, and electronic media productions Skills, Processes, Materials, accompaniments, using digital/ and to perform in them. Creation/Invention and Tools electronic technology when Development of of Dance Movements 2.1 Use lines, shapes/forms, appropriate. Theatrical Skills 2.1 Create movements and colors to make Apply Vocal and that reflect a variety 2.1 Perform imitative patterns. Instrumental Skills of personal experimovements, rhythmical 2.2 Demonstrate beginning 2.1 Use the singing voice to ences (e.g., recall activities, and theatre skill in the use of tools echo short, melodic games (freeze, statues, feeling happy, sad, and processes, such as patterns. and mirrors). angry, excited). the use of scissors, glue, 2.2 Respond to a variety of 2.2 Sing age-appropriate and paper in creating a Creation/Invention in Theatre stimuli (e.g., sounds, songs from memory. three-dimensional conwords, songs, props, and 2.2 Perform group struction. 2.3 Play instruments and pantomimes and images) with original move or verbalize 2.3 Make a collage with cut improvisations to movements. to demonstrate or torn paper shapes/ retell familiar stories. 2.3 Respond spontaneously awareness of beat, forms. 2.3 Use costumes and props tempo, dynamics, to different types of Communication and in role playing. music, rhythms, and and melodic **Expression Through Original** direction. sounds. Compose, Arrange, 2.4 Paint pictures expressing and Improvise ideas about family and 2.4 Create accompaniments, neighborhood. using the voice or a 2.5 Use lines in drawings variety of classroom and paintings to express instruments. feelings. 2.6 Use geometric shapes/ forms (circle, triangle, square) in a work of art. 2.7 Create a three-dimensional form, such as a real or imaginary animal.

Component Strand: 3.0 Historical and Cultural Context

Dance

Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Dance

Students analyze the function and development of dance in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting human diversity as it relates to dance and dancers.

Development of Dance

3.1 Name and perform folk/traditional dances from the United States and other countries.

Music

Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Music

Students analyze the role of music in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting cultural diversity as it relates to music, musicians, and composers.

Role of Music

3.1 Identify the various uses of music in daily experiences.

Diversity of Music

- 3.2 Sing and play simple singing games from various cultures.
- 3.3 Use a personal vocabulary to describe voices and instruments from diverse cultures.
- 3.4 Use developmentally appropriate movements in responding to music from various genres and styles (rhythm, melody).

Theatre

Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Theatre

Students analyze the role and development of theatre, film/video, and electronic media in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting diversity as it relates to theatre.

Role and Cultural Significance of Theatre

- 3.1 Retell or dramatize
- stories, myths, fables, and fairy tales from various cultures and times.
- 3.2 Portray different community members, such as firefighters, family, teachers, and clerks, through role-playing activities.

Visual Arts

Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of the Visual Arts

Students analyze the role and development of the visual arts in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting human diversity as it relates to the visual arts and artists.

Role and Development of the Visual Arts

- 3.1 Describe functional and nonutilitarian art seen in daily life; that is, works of art that are used versus those that are only viewed.
- 3.2 Identify and describe works of art that show people doing things together.

Diversity of the Visual Arts

3.3 Look at and discuss works of art from a variety of times and places.



Component Strand: 4.0 Aesthetic Valuing Music Visual Arts **Dance** Theatre Responding to, Analyzing, Responding to, Analyzing, Responding to, Analyzing, Responding to, Analyzing, and Making Judgments and Making Judgments and Critiquing Theatrical and Making Judgments About About Works of Dance About Works of Music Experiences Works in the Visual Arts Students critique and derive Students critically assess and Students analyze, assess, and Students critically assess and derive meaning from works derive meaning from works meaning from works of derive meaning from works of dance, performance of theatre, film/video, elecof art, including their own, of music and the performance dancers, and original works of musicians according to tronic media, and theatrical according to the elements of based on the elements of artists on the basis of aesart, the principles of design, the elements of music, aesdance and aesthetic qualities. thetic qualities. and aesthetic qualities. thetic qualities, and human responses. Description, Analysis, Critical Assessment Derive Meaning and Criticism of Dance of Theatre Derive Meaning 4.1 Discuss their own works of art, using 4.1 Create movements that 4.1 Respond appropriately 4.1 Explain basic feaappropriate art vocabutures that distinguish correspond to specific to a theatrical experione kind of dance music. ence as an audience lary (e.g., color, shape/ form, texture). from another (e.g., member. 4.2 Identify, talk about, sing, speed, force/energy 4.2 Describe what is or play music written Derivation of Meaning use, costume, setseen (including both for specific purposes from Works of Theatre ting, music). literal and expressive (e.g., work song, lullaby). content) in selected 4.2 Compare a real story works of art. with a fantasy story. Make Informed Judgments 4.3 Discuss how and why they made a specific work of art. 4.4 Give reasons why they like a particular work of art they made, using appropriate art vocabulary.

Component Strand: 5.0 Connections, Relationships, Applications

Dance

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Dance to Learning in Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Music

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Music to Learning in Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Theatre

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Theatre, Film/Video, and Electronic Media to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Visual Arts

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in the Visual Arts to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Students apply what they learn in dance to learning across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to dance.

Connections and Applications Across Disciplines

5.1 Give examples of the relationship between everyday movement in school and dance movement. Students apply what they learn in music across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to music.

Connections and Applications

5.1 Use music, together with dance, theatre, and the visual arts, for storytelling.

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.2 Identify and talk about the reasons artists have for creating dances, music, theatre pieces, and works of visual art. Students apply what they learn in theatre, film/video, and electronic media across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and time management that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to theatre.

Connections and Applications

5.1 Dramatize information from other content areas. Use movement and voice, for example, to reinforce vocabulary, such as fast, slow, in, on, through, over, under.

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.2 Demonstrate the ability to participate cooperatively in performing a pantomime or dramatizing a story. Students apply what they learn in the visual arts across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to the visual arts.

Connections and Applications

- 5.1 Draw geometric shapes/ forms (e.g., circles, squares, triangles) and repeat them in dance/ movement sequences.
- 5.2 Look at and draw something used every day (e.g., scissors, toothbrush, fork) and describe how the object is used.

Visual Literacy

5.3 Point out images (e.g., photographs, paintings, murals, ceramics, sculptures) and symbols found at home, in school, and in the community, including national and state symbols and icons.

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.4 Discuss the various works of art (e.g., ceramics, paintings, sculpture) that artists create and the type of media used.

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Grade One

First-grade students learn to work with others, know where they live, and recognize that other people live far away. They also learn to listen when others speak, and they begin to understand the role of school in their lives.

Students have much to learn in art classes. They are expected to begin to develop the focus needed to succeed in creating and performing art. As they sing, play music, do dramatics, draw, and paint, their purpose and intent become apparent. They learn how artists in the past performed the same activities that contemporary artists continue today. By connecting the arts with other content areas, students build their vocabulary and prereading skills, such as defining the plot, predicting, summarizing, and recognizing the sequence of events in a story.

Students use locomotor movements that carry them across the room as well as axial movements of different parts of their bodies while staying in place. As they learn to vary their movements by using different degrees of force or energy, the movements become dynamic. By joining the movements, students can perform brief dance sequences with a beginning, middle, and end as in a story. They incorporate variety and patterns and find that they can express emotions in the way they move. And through folk and traditional dances, students learn more about why, when, and where people dance and how dances are similar or different.

Music

Singing and playing classroom instruments improve students' listening skills, accuracy and technique, and understanding of musical forms. By improvising simple rhythmic accompaniments and learning singing games from various cultures, students begin their creative work in music. And they focus their listening and relate to music and dance by creating and performing movements.

Theatre

Dance

Acting through facial expression, gestures, and movements alone helps students develop characters. Without prior rehearsing or scripting to improve their ability to improvise, students can create scenes. For example, they can create tableaux, which are enjoyable and provide

a useful learning experience. In that activity they perform a silent, motionless depiction of a scene from, for example, a story, a famous painting, or a moment in history. In the process they identify the cultural and geographic origins of stories.

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Grade One

Students, working in flat, two-dimensional formats, create three-dimensional works of art, using texture and color. Along with learning the elements of art, such as line, color, shape, and texture, students describe a variety of subject matter in works of art. For example, they can examine landscapes portrayed in early morning light or at night; seascapes on a calm or stormy day; portraits of men and women, boys and girls; and still-life compositions of objects large to small, bright to dull, and rough to smooth.



	Grade One			
Dance	Music	Theatre	Visual Arts	
1.2 (Artistic Perception) Perform short movement problems, emphasizing the element of space (e.g., shapes/lines, big/small, high/low). 2.3 (Creative Expression) Create a short movement sequence with a beginning, a middle, and an end. 2.8 (Creative Expression) Work with others in a group to solve a specific dance prob- lem (e.g., design three shapes—high, medium and low; create slow and fast movements). 4.2 (Aesthetic Valuing) Describe the experi- ence of dancing two different dances (e.g., Seven Jumps, La Raspa).			2.1 (Creative Expression) Use texture in two- dimensional and three- dimensional works of art. 3.2 (Historical and Cultural Context) Identify and describe various subject matter in art (e.g., landscapes, seascapes, portraits, still life).	

Key Content Standards

Component Strand: 1.0 Artistic Perception

Dance

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Dance

Students perceive and

respond, using the elements

of dance. They demonstrate

movement skills, process

sensory information, and

the vocabulary of dance.

and Technical Expertise

describe movement, using

Development of Motor Skills

1.1 Demonstrate the ability

to vary control and

direct force/energy

and axial movements

(e.g., skip lightly, turn

strongly, fall heavily).

Comprehension and Analysis

movement problems,

emphasizing the element of space

(e.g., shapes/lines,

Development of Dance

1.3 Name basic locomotor

and axial movements (e.g., skip, slide, stretch,

Vocabulary

roll).

big/small, high/low).

of Dance Elements

1.2 Perform short

used in basic locomotor

Read and Notate Music

simple patterns of rhythm and pitch, using beat, rest, and divided beat (two sounds on one beat).

Listen to, Analyze,

forms (e.g., phrase, AB, echo).

Music

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Music

Students read, notate, listen to, analyze, and describe music and other aural information, using the terminology of music.

1.1 Read, write, and perform

and Describe Music

- 1.2 Identify simple musical
- 1.3 Identify common instruments visually and aurally in a variety of music.

Theatre

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Theatre

Students observe their environment and respond, using the elements of theatre. They also observe formal and informal works of theatre. film/video, and electronic media and respond, using the vocabulary of theatre.

Development of the Vocabulary of Theatre

1.1 Use the vocabulary of the theatre, such as play, plot (beginning, middle, and end), improvisation, pantomime, stage, character, and audience, to describe theatrical experiences.

Comprehension and Analysis of the Elements of Theatre

1.2 Observe and describe the traits of a character. Visual Arts

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to the Visual Arts

Students perceive and respond to works of art, objects in nature, events, and the environment. They also use the vocabulary of the visual arts to express their observations.

Develop Perceptual Skills and Visual Arts Vocabulary

- 1.1 Describe and replicate repeated patterns in nature, in the environment, and in works of art.
- 1.2 Distinguish among various media when looking at works of art (e.g., clay, paints, drawing materials).

Analyze Art Elements and Principles of Design

1.3 Identify the elements of art in objects in nature, in the environment, and in works of art, emphasizing line, color, shape/form, and texture.

Grade One Content Standards Component Strand: 2.0 Creative Expression **Dance** Theatre Visual Arts Music Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, and Creating, Performing, and Participating in Dance and Participating in Music and Participating in Theatre Participating in the Visual Arts Students apply choreographic Students apply vocal and Students apply artistic Students apply processes instrumental musical skills and skills in acting, directprocesses and skills, using a principles, processes, and skills ing, designing, and scriptvariety of media to communito create and communicate in performing a varied repertoire of music. They writing to create formal cate meaning and intent in meaning through the improvisation, composition, and performance compose and arrange music and informal theatre. original works of art. of dance. and improvise melodies. film/videos, and electronic Skills, Processes, Materials, variations, and accompanimedia productions and to Creation/Invention and Tools ments, using digital/elecperform in them. of Dance Movements 2.1 Use texture in tronic technology when Development of two-dimensional and 2.1 Use improvisation to discover appropriate. Theatrical Skills three-dimensional movements in response to a Apply Vocal and specific movement problem 2.1 Demonstrate skills works of art. Instrumental Skills in pantomime, (e.g., find a variety of ways to 2.2 Mix secondary colors walk; create five types of 2.1 Sing with accuracy tableau, and improfrom primary colors and in a developmencircular movement). visation. describe the process. tally appropriate 2.2 Respond in movement to 2.3 Demonstrate beginning Creation/Invention range. a wide range of stimuli skill in the manipulation in Theatre (e.g., music, books, pictures, 2.2 Sing age-appropriate and use of sculptural songs from memory. 2.2 Dramatize or improrhymes, fabrics, props). materials (clay, paper, vise familiar simple 2.3 Play simple accompaniand papier maché) to Application of Choreographic stories from classroom ments on classroom create form and texture Principles and Processes literature or life expeinstruments. in works of art. to Creating Dance riences, incorporating Compose, Arrange, Communication and plot (beginning, middle, 2.3 Create a short movement and Improvise and end) and using **Expression Through Original** sequence with a begina tableau or a panto-Works of Art ning, a middle, and an end. 2.4 Improvise simple rhythmic accompa-2.4 Plan and use variations in 2.4 Create shapes and movements niments, using line, shape/form, color, at low, middle, and high levels. body percussion and texture to communi-2.5 Imitate simple movement or classroom cate ideas or feelings in patterns. instruments. works of art. Communication of Meaning 2.5 Create a representational in Dance sculpture based on people, animals, or 2.6 Express basic emotional qualibuildings. ties (e.g., angry, sad, excited, 2.6 Draw or paint a still life, happy) through movement. using secondary colors. 2.7 Perform improvised movement ideas for peers. 2.7 Use visual and actual texture in original works Development of Partner of art and Group Skills 2.8 Create artwork based 2.8 Work with others in on observations of actual a group to solve a objects and everyday specific dance problem scenes. (e.g., design three shapes—high, medium, and low; create slow and fast movements).

Component Strand: 3.0 Historical and Cultural Context

Dance Theatre Visual Arts Music Understanding the Historical Understanding the Historical Understanding the Historical Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Contributions and Cultural Contributions and Cultural Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Dance **Dimensions of Music** Dimensions of Theatre Dimensions of the Visual Arts Students analyze the function Students analyze the role of Students analyze the role Students analyze the role and and development of dance in music in past and present and development of theatre, development of the visual arts past and present cultures cultures throughout the film/video, and electronic in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting world, noting cultural divermedia in past and present throughout the world, noting human diversity as it relates sity as it relates to music. cultures throughout the human diversity as it relates to dance and dancers. musicians, and composers. world, noting diversity as it to the visual arts and artists. relates to theatre. Role of Music Development of Dance Role and Development Role and Cultural of the Visual Arts 3.1 Recognize and talk about 3.1 Name and perform Significance of Theatre music and celebrations of folk/traditional dances 3.1 Recognize and discuss the cultures represented the design of everyday from other countries. 3.1 Identify the cultural in the school population. and geographic objects from various time 3.2 Describe aspects of the origins of stories. periods and cultures. style, costumes, and Diversity of Music music of a dance. 3.2 Identify and describe History of Theatre 3.2 Sing and play simple warious subject 3.3 List commonalities singing games from 3.2 Identify theatrical conmatter in art among basic locomotor various cultures. ventions, such as props, movements in dances (e.g., landscapes, costumes, masks, and 3.3 Use a personal vocabufrom various countries. seascapes, portraits, sets lary to describe voices, still life). History and Function instruments, and music 3.3 Describe the roles Diversity of the Visual Arts of Dance from diverse cultures. and responsibilities of audience and actor. 3.4 Use developmentally 3.3 View and then describe 3.4 Identify where and when appropriate movements art from various cultures. people dance. in responding to music 3.4 Identify art objects from various genres, from various cultures periods, and styles (e.g., Japanese screen (rhythm, melody, form). painting, Mexican tin art, African masks) and describe what they have in common and how they differ.

Component Strand: 4.0 Aesthetic Valuing

Dance

Responding to, Analyzing, and Making Judgments About Works of Dance

Students critically assess and derive meaning from works of dance, performance of dancers, and original works based on the elements of dance and aesthetic qualities.

Description, Analysis, and Criticism of Dance

4.1 Use basic dance vocabulary to identify and describe a dance observed or performed (e.g., shapes, levels, directions, tempo/fastslow).

Meaning and Impact of Dance

- 4.2 Describe the experience of dancing two different dances (e.g., Seven Jumps, La Raspa).
- 4.3 Describe how they communicate an idea or a mood in a dance (e.g., with exaggerated everyday gesture or emotional energies).

Music

Responding to, Analyzing, and Making Judgments About Works of Music

Students critically assess and derive meaning from works of music and the performance of musicians according to the elements of music, aesthetic qualities, and human responses.

Derive Meaning

- 4.1 Create movements
- to music that reflect focused listening.
- 4.2 Describe how ideas or moods are communicated through music.

Theatre

Responding to, Analyzing, and Critiquing Theatrical Experiences

Students critique and derive meaning from works of theatre, film/video, electronic media, and theatrical artists on the basis of aesthetic qualities.

Critical Assessment of Theatre

4.1 Describe what was liked about a theatrical work or a story.

Derivation of Meaning from Works of Theatre

4.2 Identify and discuss emotional reactions to a theatrical experience.

Visual Arts

Responding to, Analyzing, and Making Judgments About Works in the Visual Arts

Students analyze, assess, and derive meaning from works of art, including their own, according to the elements of art, the principles of design, and aesthetic qualities.

Derive Meaning

- 4.1 Discuss works of art created in the classroom, focusing on selected elements of art (e.g., shape/form, texture, line, color).
- 4.2 Identify and describe various reasons for making art.

Make Informed Judgments

- 4.3 Describe how and why they made a selected work of art, focusing on the media and technique.
- 4.4 Select something they like about their work of art and something they would change.



Component Strand: 5.0 Connections, Relationships, Applications

Dance

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Dance to Learning in Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Music

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Music to Learning in Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Theatre

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Theatre, Film/Video, and Electronic Media to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Visual Arts

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in the Visual Arts to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Students apply what they learn in dance to learning across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to dance.

Connections and Applications Across Disciplines

- 5.1 Demonstrate curricular concepts through dance (e.g., growth cycle, animal movement).
- 5.2 Give examples of how dance relates to other subjects (e.g., mathematics—shape, counting; language arts—beginning, middle, and end).

Students apply what they learn in music across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to music.

Connections and Applications

5.1 Recognize and explain how people respond to their world through music.

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.2 Describe how the performance of songs and dances improves after practice and rehearsal. Students apply what they learn in theatre, film/video, and electronic media across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and time management that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to theatre.

Connections and Applications

5.1 Apply the theatrical concept of beginning, middle, and end to other content areas. For example, act out the life cycle of a butterfly.

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.2 Demonstrate the ability to work cooperatively in presenting a tableau, an improvisation, or a pantomime. Students apply what they learn in the visual arts across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to the visual arts.

Connections and Applications

- 5.1 Clap out rhythmic patterns found in the lyrics of music and use symbols to create visual representations of the patterns.
- 5.2 Compare and contrast objects of folk art from various time periods and cultures.

Visual Literacy

5.3 Identify and sort pictures into categories according to the elements of art emphasized in the works (e.g., color, line, shape/ form, texture).

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.4 Describe objects designed by artists (e.g., furniture, appliances, cars) that are used at home and at school.

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Second-grade students have learned a lot. They become excited when they can connect their previous learning with something new or when they can demonstrate their expanding skills. On their own and in small groups, they are working to experiment and solve problems. Among their accomplishments may appear brightly colored bits of modeling clay fashioned into tree frogs representing a "new species" from a study of the diversity of life in the rainforest; use of chants and clapping to mathematical rhythms and use of rap music to memorize mathematical facts; a journal entry about a child's picture that includes the following sentence: "The diagonal lines show my legs are moving." Clearly, students are demonstrating acquired knowledge through artistic self-expression.

Dance

Students begin to combine dance movements into short sequences by using varied tempos and rhythms. They move fast and then very slowly, first in an \overline{AB} sequence and then in an \overline{ABA} sequence. Their sequences have movements that reach high and bend down low. Naming locomotor and axial movements used in dance, they identify them in dances from various countries that they learn to perform. When they describe how movements in dance communicate ideas or moods and are alike and different, they use the dance vocabulary they are learning, such as tempo, rhythm, and levels. And they learn (1) that dance can benefit overall health and well being; and (2) that working with partners and groups is an important part of dance.

Music

Students learn verbal syllables, such as *sol* and *fa*, for the degrees of the musical scale, called *solfège*. In doing so, they learn to read, write, and perform simple

patterns of pitch, a process that leads to a whole world of listening to, playing, singing, and composing music.

Theatre

Students perform in group improvisations and learn theatrical games to improve their skills. In the process they develop cooperative skills and concentration and learn the vocabulary of

the theatre, such as *plot, scene, sets, conflict,* and *script.* As students retell familiar stories and those from other cultures, they identify universal character types.

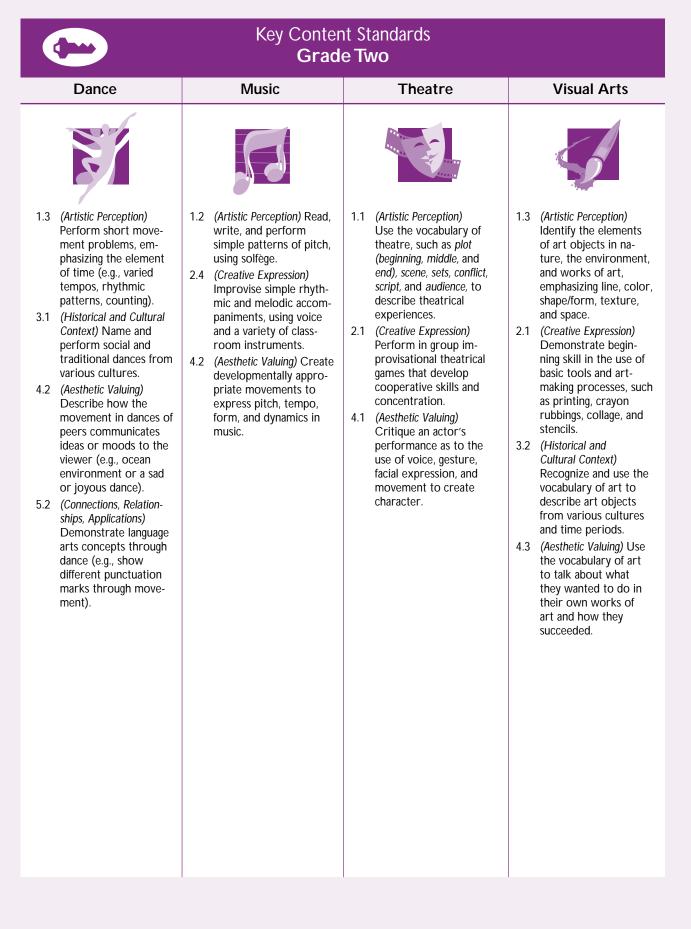
Visual arts

Students continue to expand their understanding of the elements of art and apply them as they learn to use basic tools and art-making processes, such as printmaking and collage.

They describe art objects from various cultures and time periods brought into the classroom for analysis. The objects are also analyzed by a docent from a local museum. Now students are beginning to evaluate their own work as they analyze what they intended to paint and how well they succeeded.

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Component Strand: 1.0 Artistic Perception

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Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Dance

Music

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Music

Theatre

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Theatre

Visual Arts

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to the Visual Arts

Students perceive and respond, using the elements of dance. They demonstrate movement skills, process sensory information, and describe movement, using the vocabulary of dance.

Development of Motor Skills and Technical Expertise

- 1.1 Show a variety of combinations of basic locomotor skills (e.g., walk and run, gallop and jump, hop and skip, slide and roll).
- 1.2 Show a variety of combinations of axial movements (e.g., swing and balanced shapes, turn and stretch, bend and twist).

Comprehension and Analysis of Dance Elements

- 1.3 Perform short
- movement problems, emphasizing the element of time (e.g., varied tempos, rhythmic patterns, counting).
- 1.4 Expand the ability to incorporate spatial concepts with movement problems.

Development of Dance Vocabulary

1.5 Name a large number of locomotor and axial movements used in dance. Students read, notate, listen to, analyze, and describe music and other aural information, using the terminology of music.

Read and Notate Music

- 1.1 Read, write, and perform simple rhythmic patterns, using eighth notes, quarter notes, half notes, and rests.
- 1.2 Read, write, and perform simple patterns of pitch, using solfège.

Listen to, Analyze, and Describe Music

- 1.3 Identify ascending/ descending melody and even/uneven rhythm patterns in selected pieces of music.
- 1.4 Identify simple musical forms, emphasizing verse/refrain, AB, ABA.
- 1.5 Identify visually and aurally individual wind, string, brass, and percussion instruments used in a variety of music.

Students observe their environment and respond, using the elements of theatre. They also observe formal and informal works of theatre, film/video, and electronic media and respond, using the vocabulary of theatre.

Development of the Vocabulary of Theatre

1.1 Use the vocabulary of theatre, such as plot (beginning, middle, and end), scene, sets, conflict, script, and audience, to describe theatrical experiences.

Comprehension and Analysis of the Elements of Theatre

1.2 Use body and voice to improvise alternative endings to a story.

Students perceive and respond to works of art, objects in nature, events, and the environment. They also use the vocabulary of the visual arts to express their observations.

Develop Perceptual Skills and Visual Arts Vocabulary

- 1.1 Perceive and describe repetition and balance in nature, in the environment, and in works of art.
- 1.2 Perceive and discuss differences in mood created by warm and cool colors.

Analyze Art Elements and Principles of Design

1.3 Identify the elements of art in objects in nature, the environment, and works of art, emphasizing line, color, shape/form, texture, and space.

Grade Two Content Standards Component Strand: 2.0 Creative Expression **Theatre** Dance Music Visual Arts Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, and and Participating in Dance and Participating in Music and Participating in Theatre Participating in the Visual Arts Students apply vocal and Students apply processes and Students apply artistic Students apply choreographic principles, processes, and instrumental musical skills in skills in acting, directing, processes and skills, using a skills to create and communidesigning, and scriptwriting to variety of media to communiperforming a varied repertoire of music. They compose create formal and informal cate meaning and intent in cate meaning through improtheatre, film/videos, and elecvisation, composition, and and arrange music and improoriginal works of art. tronic media productions and performance of dance. vise melodies, variations, and Skills, Processes, Materials, accompaniments, using digital/ to perform in them. Creation/Invention and Tools electronic technology when Development of Theatrical of Dance Movements 2.1 Demonstrate beginappropriate. Skills ning skill in the use 2.1 Create and improvise Apply Vocal and movement patterns 2.1 Perform in group of basic tools and Instrumental Skills and sequences. improvisational art-making processes, 2.1 Sing with accuracy in theatrical games such as printing, 2.2 Demonstrate multiple a developmentally that develop crayon rubbings, solutions in response to cooperative skills appropriate range. collage, and stencils. a given movement proband concentration. lem (e.g., In how many 2.2 Sing age-appropriate 2.2 Demonstrate beginning songs from memory. ways can you travel from skill in the use of art Creation/Invention in Theatre point A to point B?). media, such as oil 2.3 Play rhythmic ostinatos 2.2 Retell familiar stories, pastels, watercolors, on classroom instru-Application of Choreographic sequencing story points and tempera. ments. **Principles and Processes** and identifying character, Communication and to Creating Dance Compose, Arrange, setting, and conflict. **Expression Through Original** and Improvise 2.3 Use improvisation to 2.3 Create a simple se-Works of Art portray such concepts quence of movement 2.4 Improvise simple as friendship, hunger, 2.3 Depict the illusion of with a beginning, a rhythmic and melodic or seasons. middle, and an end, depth (space) in a work accompaniments, incorporating level and 2.4 Create costume pieces, of art, using overlapping using voice and a directional changes. shapes, relative size, and variety of classroom props, or sets for a placement within the theatrical experience. 2.4 Create shapes and instruments. picture. movements, using fast and slow tempos. 2.4 Create a painting or drawing, using warm or 2.5 Develop a dance phrase cool colors expressively. that has a sense of unity. 2.5 Use bilateral or radial Communication symmetry to create of Meaning in Dance visual balance. 2.6 Create, memorize, and perform original expressive movements for peers. Development of Partner and Group Skills 2.7 Work cooperatively in small and large groups. 2.8 Demonstrate partner skills (e.g., imitating and leading/following).

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Component Strand: 3.0 Historical and Cultural Context

Dance

Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Dance

Music

Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural **Dimensions of Music**

Theatre

Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Theatre

Visual Arts

Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of the Visual Arts

Students analyze the function and development of dance in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting human diversity as it relates to dance and dancers.

Development of Dance

cultures.

- 3.1 Name and perform social and traditional dances from various
- 3.2 Explain commonalities among basic locomotor and axial movements in dances from various countries.
- 3.3 Name and perform rhythms from different cultures (e.g., through clapping, stamping, using whole body movement).

History and Function of Dance

3.4 Describe dances seen in celebrations and community events.

Students analyze the role of music in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting cultural diversity as it relates to music. musicians, and composers.

Role of Music

3.1 Identify the uses of specific music in daily or special events.

Diversity of Music

- 3.2 Sing simple songs and play singing games from various cultures.
- 3.3 Describe music from various cultures.

Students analyze the role and development of theatre, film/ video, and electronic media in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting diversity as it relates to theatre

Role and Cultural Significance of Theatre

3.1 Identify theatre and storytelling forms from different cultures.

History of Theatre

3.2 Identify universal characters in stories and plays from different periods and places.

Students analyze the role and development of the visual arts in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting human diversity as it relates to the visual arts and artists.

Role and Development of the Visual Arts

- 3.1 Explain how artists use their work to share experiences or communicate ideas.
- 3.2 Recognize and use the wocabulary of art to describe art objects from various cultures and time periods.

Diversity of the Visual Arts

3.3 Identify and discuss how art is used in events and celebrations in various cultures, past and present, including the use in their own lives.



Grade Two Content Standards Component Strand: 4.0 Aesthetic Valuing Visual Arts Dance Music Theatre Responding to, Analyzing, Responding to, Analyzing, Responding to, Analyzing, Responding to, Analyzing, and Making Judgments About and Making Judgments and Making Judgments and Critiquing Theatrical About Works of Dance About Works of Music **Experiences** Works in the Visual Arts Students critically assess and Students critically assess and Students critique and derive Students analyze, assess, derive meaning from works of derive meaning from works meaning from works of theand derive meaning from dance, performance of dancof music and the performance atre, film/video, electronic works of art, including their ers, and original works based of musicians according to media, and theatrical artists own, according to the eleon the elements of dance and the elements of music. on the basis of aesthetic ments of art, the principles of aesthetic qualities. aesthetic qualities, and qualities. design, and aesthetic qualities. human responses. Description, Analysis, Critical Assessment Derive Meaning Analyze and Critically Assess and Criticism of Dance of Theatre 4.1 Compare ideas 4.1 Use the terminology expressed through their 4.1 Use basic dance 4.1 Critique an actor's of music in discussing performance as to the own works of art with vocabulary to name and describe a dance individual preferences use of voice, gesture, ideas expressed in the for specific music. work of others. observed or performed facial expression, and movement to create (e.g., levels, rhythm 4.2 Compare different re-Derive Meaning patterns, type of energy). character. sponses to the same 4.2 Create developmen-4.2 Respond to a live work of art. 4.2 Describe how the tally appropriate movement in dances performance with Make Informed Judgments movements to of peers communiappropriate audience express pitch, tempo, cates ideas or behavior. 4.3 Use the vocabulary form, and dynamics moods to the viewer of art to talk about Derivation of Meaning in music. (e.g., ocean environwhat they wanted to from Works of Theatre 4.3 Identify how musical do in their own works ment or a sad or elements communicate of art and how they joyous dance). 4.3 Identify the message ideas or moods. succeeded. or moral of a work Meaning and Impact 4.4 Respond to a live perforof theatre. 4.4 Use appropriate vocabuof Dance mance with appropriate lary of art to describe 4.3 Describe the similarities audience behavior. the successful use of an element of art in a work and differences in perof art. forming various dances (e.g., direction changes, steps, type of energy and tempo).

Grade Two Content Standards

Component Strand: 5.0 Connections, Relationships, Applications

Dance

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Dance to Learning in Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Music

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Music to Learning in Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Theatre

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Theatre, Film/Video, and Electronic Media to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Visual Arts

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in the Visual Arts to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Students apply what they learn in dance to learning across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to dance.

Connections and Applications Across Disciplines

- 5.1 Use literature to inspire dance ideas (e.g., poem, cartoon, nursery rhyme).
- 5.2 Demonstrate
- language arts concepts through dance (e.g., show different punctuation marks through movement).

Development of Life Skills and Career Competencies

- 5.3 Describe how choreographers create dances.
- 5.4 Describe how dancing requires good health-related habits (e.g., adequate nutrition, water, and rest; proper preparation for physical activity).

Students apply what they learn in music across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to music.

Connections and Applications

5.1 Identify similar themes in stories, songs, and art forms (e.g., patterns, texture).

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.2 Identify and discuss who composes and performs music.

Students apply what they learn in theatre, film/video, and electronic media across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and time management that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to theatre.

Connections and Applications

5.1 Use problem-solving and cooperative skills in dramatizing a story, a current event, or a concept from another subject area.

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.2 Demonstrate the ability to participate cooperatively in the different jobs required to create a theatrical production.

Students apply what they learn in the visual arts across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to the visual arts.

Connections and Applications

- 5.1 Use placement, overlapping, and size differences to show opposites (e.g., up/down, in/out, over/under, together/apart, fast/slow, stop/go).
- 5.2 Select and use expressive colors to create mood and show personality within a portrait of a hero from long ago or the recent past.

Visual Literacy

5.3 Identify pictures and sort them into categories according to expressive qualities (e.g., theme and mood).

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.4 Discuss artists in the community who create different kinds of art (e.g., prints, ceramics, paintings, sculpture).

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The doors of knowledge open wide for third-grade students, offering them new possibilities through the arts. As they start thinking abstractly and their levels of perception become more sophisticated, they can describe their thoughts orally and in writing. And their increased fine motor skills help them learn all kinds of things, from cursive writing to classroom instruments. As they begin to learn about their community, they become more curious about themselves and about others. Their study of the arts leads them to gain knowledge about many different subjects. For example, excited by a walking trip through the community, they draw pictures representing landmark buildings. They also learn to dance and sing to music from their community's many cultural heritages and use their theatrical skills to explore what they imagine and to portray a character.

Students combine movement in place, movement across the room, and a sense of space and time as they sequence the movements to different tempos. By practicing to combine the various movements and the elements of dance, they create and perform original dance sequences that exhibit variety and kinesthetic and visual rhythm. For example, they learn to perform increasingly complex improvisations and movement sequences more expressively by emphasizing the dance element of force or energy. When they create dance sequences, they can identify a clear beginning, middle, and end and include a variety of shapes, movements, and levels in space. As they work to improve their own proficiency, they also create, memorize, and perform original movement sequences with a partner or a small group.

Learning to compare and contrast dances from various countries enriches students' repertoires or movements and their understanding of how dance functions in many cultures. When students evaluate the dance performance of their peers, they can use specific criteria, such as how focused the dancer was during the performance. And they can comment on how dance skills help communicate the idea and mood of the dance. As they gain experience in creating dance in collaboration with others, they learn more about the time-management, problem-solving, and self-discipline skills required for dance and determine how those skills apply to other areas of study and to careers.

Students focus on rhythmic patterns, musical forms, melody, harmony, and timbre as they read, write, and perform music. Their increased listening skills help them identify those qualities in music selections, in the four families of orchestral instruments, and in male and female adult voices. By singing from memory, they improve their accuracy and create rhythmic and

melodic phrases. As students sing and play songs from diverse cultures, they can compare and contrast music from throughout the world. When they play and sing music, they are honing their ability to select and use specific criteria to judge the quality of a musical performance. Focusing on the use of the musical elements for their criteria, they can describe how the elements help the composer or performer to communicate an idea or mood in the music and can identify the use of similar elements, such as pattern and rhythm, in other art forms.

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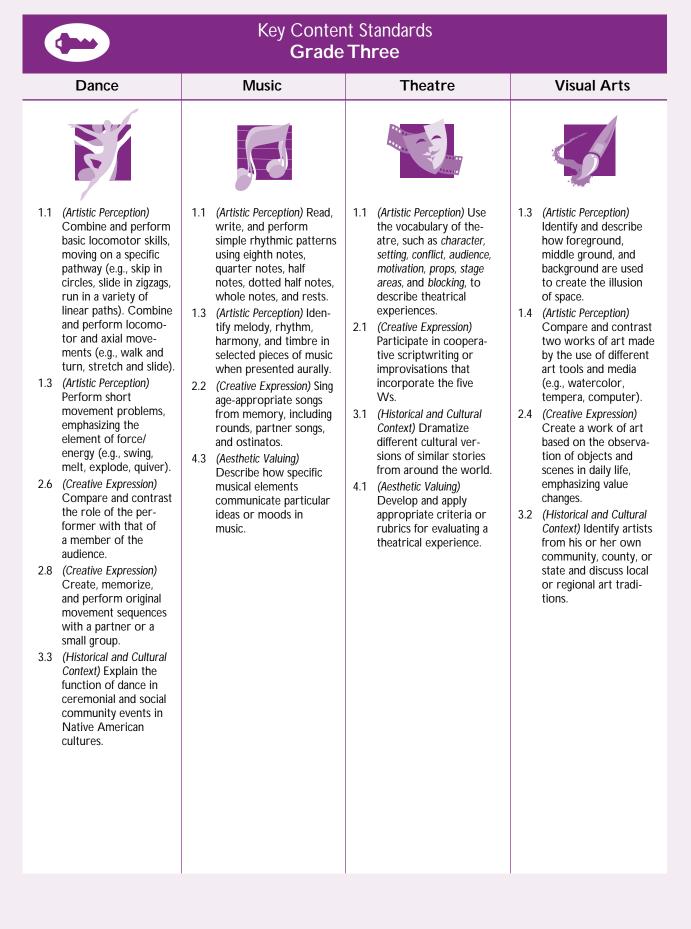
Visual Arts

Students identify and describe important elements of theatre, such as *character*, *setting*, *conflict*, *motivation*, *props*, *stage areas*, and *blocking*. They do cooperative scriptwriting and improvisations, including determining basic blocking and stage areas, by applying their knowledge of the five Ws (who, what, where, when, and why). By dramatizing different cultural versions of similar stories from around the world, they increase their repertoire and can identify universal themes. When evaluating scripts and staging performances, they learn which criteria are appropriate. And if they like a scene in a play they are reading, they can explain how the playwright succeeded. By participating in theatrical experiences, they gain many opportunities to demonstrate their problem-solving and cooperative skills.

Students increase their understanding of how to create the illusion of space and apply those techniques in their own work, allowing them to recognize near and far distances in a painting. They also compare works of art made with different media, such as watercolor or oil paint, and tent art objects, such as a woodcut or computer-generated prints. Creating

different art objects, such as a woodcut or computer-generated prints. Creating works of visual art based on their observations of objects and scenes, they include drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, and other forms of expression in their efforts. Students also become familiar with local artists and their works as well as artists throughout the state and from various parts of the world.

Students progress into analyzing how diverse works may communicate similar themes, ideas, or moods and can distinguish among representational, abstract, and nonrepresentational works of art, including developing and applying appropriate criteria for evaluation. For example, they might consider how effectively the artist used elements of art, such as line, shape, and color, to communicate a mood. In addition, students apply criteria to their own artwork and explain how it might be improved. Another activity allows students to apply their understanding of the communicative quality of the visual arts as they describe, for example, how costumes contribute to the meaning of a dance, how an artist tells a story in a figurative painting, how a work of art can be the inspiration for a poem, or how artists have affected people's lives.



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Music

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Theatre

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to Theatre

Visual Arts

Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information Through the Language and Skills Unique to the Visual Arts

Students perceive and respond, using the elements of dance. They demonstrate movement skills, process sensory information, and describe movement, using the vocabulary of dance.

Development of Motor Skills and Technical Expertise

- 1.1 Combine and perform basic
- locomotor skills, moving on a specific pathway (e.g., skip in circles, slide in zigzags, run in a variety of linear paths). Combine and perform locomotor and axial movements (e.g., walk and turn, stretch and slide).
- Demonstrate the ability to start, change, and stop movement.

Comprehension and Analysis of Dance Elements

- 1.3 Perform short movement
- problems, emphasizing the element of force/energy (e.g., swing, melt, explode, quiver).
- 1.4 Expand the ability to incorporate spatial and time concepts in movement problems (e.g., select and combine three locomotor movements traveling in three different pathways and using three different tempos).

Development of Dance Vocabulary

1.5 Describe dance elements used in personal work and that of others.

Students read, notate, listen to, analyze, and describe music and other aural information, using the terminology of music.

Read and Notate Music

- 1.1 Read, write, and perform simple rhythmic patterns using eighth notes, quarter notes, half notes, dotted half notes, whole notes, and rests.
- 1.2 Read, write, and perform pentatonic patterns, using solfège.

Listen to, Analyze, and Describe Music

1.3 Identify melody,rhythm, harmony,and timbre inselected piecesof music when

presented aurally.

- 1.4 Identify visually and aurally the four families of orchestral instruments and male and female adult voices.
- 1.5 Describe the way in which sound is produced on various instruments.
- 1.6 Identify simple musical forms (e.g., AABA, AABB, round).

Students observe their environment and respond, using the elements of theatre. They also observe formal and informal works of theatre, film/video, and electronic media and respond, using the vocabulary of theatre.

Development of the Vocabulary of Theatre

- Use the vocabulary
 of theatre, such as character, setting, conflict, audience, motivation, props, stage areas, and
- blocking, to describe theatrical experiences.

 Comprehension and

Analysis of the Elements of Theatre
1.2 Identify who, what,

where, when, and why (the five Ws) in a theatrical experience.

Students perceive and respond to works of art, objects in nature, events, and the environment. They also use the vocabulary of the visual arts to express their observations.

Develop Perceptual Skills and Visual Arts Vocabulary

- 1.1 Perceive and describe rhythm and movement in works of art and in the environment.
- 1.2 Describe how artists use tints and shades in painting.
- 1.3 Identify and describe how foreground, middle ground, and background are used to create the illusion of space.
- Compare and
 contrast two works
 of art made by the
 use of different art
 tools and media
 (e.g., watercolor,
 tempera, computer).

Analyze Art Elements and Principles of Design

1.5 Identify and describe elements of art in works of art, emphasizing line, color, shape/form, texture, space, and value.

Grade Three Content Standards Component Strand: 2.0 Creative Expression Theatre Visual Arts Music Dance Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, and Creating, Performing, Creating, Performing, and Participating in Theatre Participating in the Visual Arts and Participating in Dance and Participating in Music Students apply choreographic Students apply vocal and Students apply processes Students apply artistic proinstrumental musical skills cesses and skills, using a variprinciples, processes, and skills to and skills in acting, directing, designing, and scriptwriting create and communicate meaning in performing a varied ety of media to communicate through the improvisation, comporepertoire of music. They to create formal and informeaning and intent in original sition, and performance of dance. compose and arrange music mal theatre, film/videos, works of art. and improvise melodies. and electronic media Creation/Invention of Dance Skills, Processes, Materials, variations, and accompaniproductions and to perform Movements and Tools ments, using digital/elecin them. 2.1 Create and perform complex 2.1 Explore ideas for art in tronic technology when Development of Theatrical improvised movement appropriate. a personal sketchbook. **Skills** patterns, dance sequences, Mix and apply tempera Apply Vocal and and studies. 2.1 Participate in cooppaints to create tints. Instrumental Skills erative scriptwriting 2.2 Improvise and select multiple shades, and neutral 2.1 Sing with accuracy in or improvisations possibilities to solve a given colors. a developmentally that incorporate movement problem (e.g., find Communication and appropriate range. the five Ws. four different ways to com-**Expression Through** bine a turn, stretch, and 2.2 Sing age-appropri-Creation/Invention Original Works of Art ate songs from jump). in Theatre memory, including 2.3 Paint or draw a Application of Choreographic 2.2 Create for classmates rounds, partner landscape, seascape, Principles and Processes simple scripts that songs, and or cityscape that shows to Creating Dance ostinatos. demonstrate knowlthe illusion of space. edge of basic blocking 2.3 Create a sequence that has 2.3 Play rhythmic and 2.4 Create a work of and stage areas. a beginning, a middle, and melodic ostinatos art based on the an end. Name and refine on classroom observation of objects instruments. the parts of the sequence. and scenes in daily 2.4 Create a wide variety of life, emphasizing Compose, Arrange, shapes and movements, using value changes. and Improvise different levels in space. 2.5 Create an imaginative 2.4 Create short rhythmic clay sculpture based on Communication of Meaning and melodic phrases an organic form. in Dance in question-and-2.6 Create an original work answer form. 2.5 Perform dances to communiof art emphasizing cate personal meaning, using rhythm and movement, focus and expression. using a selected printing 2.6 Compare and contrast process. the role of the performer with that of a member of the audience. Development of Partner and Group Skills 2.7 Demonstrate a variety of partner skills (e.g., imitation, leading/following, mirroring). 2.8 Create, memorize, and perform original movement sequences

with a partner or a small group.

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Component Strand: 3.0 Historical and Cultural Context					
Dance Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Dance	Music Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Music	Theatre Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Theatre	Visual Arts Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of the Visual Arts		
Students analyze the function and development of dance in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting human diversity as it relates to dance and dancers. **Development of Dance** 3.1 Describe commonalities among and differences between dances from various countries. 3.2 Describe and demonstrate ceremonial and folk/traditional dances that show work activities (e.g., harvesting, fishing, weaving). **History and Function** of Dance** 3.3 Explain the function of Dance** 3.4 Describe how costumes in Native American cultures. 3.4 Describe how costumes and shoes influence dance movement. **Diversity of Dance** 3.5 Name and demonstrate dances of Native Americans.	Students analyze the role of music in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting cultural diversity as it relates to music, musicians, and composers. Role of Music 3.1 Identify the uses of music in various cultures and time periods. Diversity of Music 3.2 Sing memorized songs from diverse cultures. 3.3 Play memorized songs from diverse cultures. 3.4 Identify differences and commonalities in music from various cultures.	Students analyze the role and development of theatre, film/video, and electronic media in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting diversity as it relates to theatre. Role and Cultural Significance of Theatre 3.1 Dramatize different cultural versions of similar stories from around the world. History of Theatre 3.2 Identify universal themes in stories and plays from different periods and places.	Students analyze the role and development of the visual arts in past and present cultures throughout the world, noting human diversity as it relates to the visual arts and artists. Role and Development of the Visual Arts 3.1 Compare and describe various works of art that have a similar theme and were created at different time periods. 3.2 Identify artists from his or her own community, county, or state and discuss local or regional art traditions. 3.3 Distinguish and describe representational, abstract, and nonrepresentational works of art. Diversity of the Visual Arts 3.4 Identify and describe objects of art from different parts of the world observed in visits to a museum or gallery (e.g., puppets, masks, containers). 3.5 Write about a work of art that reflects a student's own cultural background.		

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Component Strand: 4.0 Aesthetic Valuing

Dance Responding to, Analyzing, and Making Judgments About Works of Dance

Responding to, Analyzing, and Making Judgments About Works of Music

Music

Theatre Responding to, Analyzing, and Critiquing Theatrical **Experiences**

Visual Arts Responding to, Analyzing, and Making Judgments About Works in the Visual Arts

Students critically assess and derive meaning from works of dance, performance of dancers, and original works based on the elements of dance and aesthetic qualities.

Description, Analysis, and Criticism of Dance

- 4.1 Name specific criteria to assess the quality of a dance performance of peers (e.g., focus, level of personal involvement, physical control).
- 4.2 Explain and demonstrate what it means to be a good audience member.

Meaning and Impact of Dance

4.3 Explain how a performer's dance skills contribute to communication of ideas and moods when performing a dance (e.g., focus, strength, coordination).

Students critically assess and derive meaning from works of music and the performance of musicians

according to the elements of music, aesthetic qualities, and human responses.

Analyze and Critically Assess

4.1 Select and use specific criteria in making judgments about the quality of a musical performance.

Derive Meaning

- 4.2 Create developmentally appropriate movements to express pitch, tempo, form, and dynamics.
- 4.3 Describe how specific musical elements communicate particular ideas or moods in music.

Students critique and derive meaning from works of theatre, film/video, electronic media, and theatrical artists on the basis of aesthetic qualities.

Critical Assessment of Theatre

- 4.1 Develop and apply appropriate criteria
- or rubrics for evaluating a theatrical experience.

Derivation of Meaning from Works of Theatre

4.2 Compare the content or message in two different works of theatre.

Students analyze, assess, and derive meaning from works of art, including their own, according to the elements of art, the principles of design, and aesthetic qualities.

Derive Meaning

4.1 Compare and contrast selected works of art and describe them, using appropriate vocabulary of art.

Make Informed Judgments

- 4.2 Identify successful and less successful compositional and expressive qualities of their own works of art and describe what might be done to improve them
- 4.3 Select an artist's work and, using appropriate vocabulary of art, explain its successful compositional and communicative qualities.







Grade Three Content Standards

Component Strand: 5.0 Connections, Relationships, Applications

Dance

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Dance to Learning in Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Music

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Music to Learning in Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Theatre

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Theatre, Film/Video, and Electronic Media to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Visual Arts

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in the Visual Arts to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

Students apply what they learn in dance to learning across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to dance.

Connections and Applications Across Disciplines

- 5.1 Explain relationships between dance elements and other subjects (e.g., spatial pathways maps and grids; geometric shapes—body shapes).
- 5.2 Describe how dancing develops physical and mental well-being (e.g., control, flexibility, posture, strength, risk taking).

Development of Life Skills and Career Competencies

- 5.3 Explain how the time management, problem solving, and self-discipline skills required for composing a dance apply to other school activities.
- 5.4 Give examples of ways in which the activities of professionals in the performing arts are similar to each other (e.g., observing discipline, practicing skills, rehearsing performances).

Students apply what they learn in music across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to music.

Connections and Applications

5.1 Identify the use of similar elements in music and other art forms (e.g., form, pattern, rhythm).

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.2 Identify what musicians and composers do to create music.

Students apply what they learn in theatre, film/video, and electronic media across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and time management that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to theatre.

Connections and Applications

5.1 Use problem-solving and cooperative skills to dramatize a story or a current event from another content area, with emphasis on the five Ws.

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.2 Develop problem-solving and communication skills by participating collaboratively in theatrical experiences. Students apply what they learn in the visual arts across subject areas. They develop competencies and creative skills in problem solving, communication, and management of time and resources that contribute to lifelong learning and career skills. They also learn about careers in and related to the visual arts.

Connections and Applications

- 5.1 Describe how costumes contribute to the meaning of a dance.
- 5.2 Write a poem or story inspired by their own works of art.

Visual Literacy

5.3 Look at images in figurative works of art and predict what might happen next, telling what clues in the work support their ideas.

Careers and Career-Related Skills

5.4 Describe how artists (e.g., architects, book illustrators, muralists, industrial designers) have affected people's lives.